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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



Finance Docket No. 34561

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY-TRACKAGE RIGHTS EXEMPTION-NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY-BUFFALO, NY

Finance Docket No. 34562

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NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY-TRACKAGE RIGHTS EXEMPTION-DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY COMPANY, INCBETWEEN SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY, AND BINGHAMTON, NY

Docket No. AB-156 (Sub-No. 25X)

DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY COMPANY, INC.-DISCONTINUANCE OF TRACKAGE RIGHTS-BETWEEN LANESBORO, PA, AND BUFFALO, ny

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STATEMENT OF POSITION

OCT 26 2004

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Samuel J. Nasca, ¹/ for and on behalf of United Transportation Union-Ne York State Legislative Board (UTU-NY), is in receipt of a 3-page letter from counsel for Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CPRC) and Delaware and Hudson Railway Company, Inc. (D&H), and a 4-page letter from counsel for Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR), both suggesting that since UTU-NY did not request a "further stay," that somehow UTU-NY has lost interest in its request for a stay. (CPRC/D&H Letter, pp. 1, 2; NSR Letter, pp. 1).

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UTU-NY did not read the Chairman's stay decision of October 7 as requiring, or even suggesting, a supplemental filing by UTU-NY on its stay request submitted October 5. The Chairman issued a "housekeeping stay" to enable additional time to consider the UTU-NY petition for stay, and to allow the submission of petitions to revoke, all of which are set forth in the October 7 stay decision.

UTU-NY fully supports its stay request, which is even more imperative in light of the Board's October 21 action in instituting the investigation into the exemption for discontinuance in Docket No. AB-156 (Sub-No. 25X).

UTU-NY wishes to correct any misunderstanding which the CPRC/D&H and NSR letters may have implied. The stays should be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

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